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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: )  
MATSUMOTO et al. )  
Serial No. 09/818,743 )  
Filed: March 27, 2001 )  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES AND )  
METHODS FOR MANUFACTURING )  
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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Rule 1.136, the applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a one month extension of time extending to March 31, 2003, the period for response to the Office Action dated November 29, 2002 (March 29 was a Saturday). The \$110 fee and the responsive papers are attached. If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from becoming abandoned, or for any other reason an insufficient fee has been paid, please charge any insufficiency to Deposit Account No. 50-0585. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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